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Via Overnight DHL Express Mail (Return Receipt Requested)

The Honorable Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, N.W.
Room 700
Washington, DC 20006



**Re: STB Docket No. AB-565 (Sub-No. 14X), New York Central Lines, LLC –
Abandonment Exemption – in Montgomery and Schenectady Counties, NY**

Dear Secretary Williams:

The New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (the “State”) requested a notice of interim trail use/rail banking for approximately 6.3 miles of railroad between milepost QGW-159.6 and milepost QGW-165.9 between South Amsterdam in Montgomery County and Rotterdam Junction in Schenectady County, New York, in the above-captioned proceeding. The current extension of the negotiating period expires on October 13, 2006. CSX Transportation, Inc. (“CSXT”), as successor by merger to New York Central Lines, LLC, has not consummated the abandonment, has been unable to finalize negotiations with the State, and desires to continue to negotiate for interim trail use/rail banking with the State. CSXT respectfully requests the Board to grant a 180-day extension of time to on or about April 11, 2006 to negotiate trail use with the State. Additionally, CSXT respectfully requests an extension of the date to consummate the abandonment to June 9, 2006.

Enclosed please find the original and 10 copies of this letter, and a filing fee of \$350.00. Please time and date stamp a copy of this letter and return it with the enclosed self-addressed and stamped letter.

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Thank you for your assistance and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Armbrust', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Steven C. Armbrust

cc: Parties of Record